

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Göran Björn et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-captioned case as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS (amended set attached to International Preliminary Examination
Report)

Please amend the claims as follows:

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3. (Amended) Implant according to claim 1, characterized in that the conically
tapering portion is arranged with materially reduced thread parts with full radius and
which are at least two in number.

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4. (Amended) Implant according to claim 1, wherein the point angle of the cone-
shaped portion is less than 20°.

5. (Amended) Implant according to claim 1, wherein each relief edge consists of
two essentially plane relief surfaces which form an obtuse angle with each other.